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X1 1. [] LEGISLATION Spoke with Mr. Michael Wenk, Department of Justice, Programs and Budget Staff, regarding the Senate report language on Justice Appropriations. I told Mr. Wenk that we would probably send a representative, i.e. Fred Hitz or [] He stated that this was an excellent idea and that Ms. Patricia Wald, Chairperson, Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, insisted that we do so. 25X1

X1 2. [] LIAISON Along with [] [] OGC, met with Tim Ingram, Staff Director; Richard Barnes, Counsel; and Kathy Sands, Minority Counsel, House Government Operations Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights, to discuss the scope of the Agency's testimony concerning its handling of criminal cases involving national security with the Justice Department, scheduled for 12 September. 25X1

X1 3. [] THIRD AGENCY In the absence of [] took a call from Margaret McKenna, Deputy Counsel to the President, regarding the scheduled meeting of Agency representatives with Peter Sullivan, on the staff of the Senate Governmental Affairs Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations Chaired by Senator Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.). Ms. McKenna said that the White House would prefer that this meeting not take place until further instructions were received. Ms. McKenna said that in explaining the postponement to Subcommittee staff we could refer to conversations that had taken place between Assistant to the President for Congressional Liaison Frank Moore, Senator Jackson and Subcommittee Chief Counsel Owen J. Malone. 25X1

X1 4. [] LIAISON On instructions from the Deputy Legislative Counsel called Peter Sullivan, on the staff of the Senate Governmental Affairs Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to inform him that the Agency representatives scheduled to meet with him later in the day on the [] case would not be able to attend. Sullivan asked whether this was at the direct instruction of the White House. I told him that I was not familiar with the details of the dealings between Executive and Legislative Branches on this matter, but that it was my understanding that Assistant to the President for Congressional Liaison Frank Moore had spoken with Chairman Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.) and with Subcommittee Chief Counsel Owen J. Malone. 25X1

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X1 15. [] LIAISON Notified Margaret McKenna, Deputy Counsel to the President, of our rescheduling of a follow-up briefing on the Dresser case by OER analysts with Peter Sullivan, staff member of the Senate Government Affairs Subcommittee on Permanent Investigations. I explained that this was a follow-up to our briefing of last week. I assured her that we have not commented on the merits of issuing the license to Dresser since our role is advisory. McKenna appreciated our position and said the White House did not want to prejudice our relationship with Subcommittee Chairman Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.). She will discuss this further with Mr. Frank Moore, Assistant to the President for Congressional Liaison, and call back if the Agency should cancel the briefing. She did not call back. Later in the day, the office of Mr. Homer Moyer, Deputy General Counsel, Department of Commerce, called and requested the names of the Agency representatives that briefed the Subcommittee staff last week on the Dresser case and a run-down of the topics discussed. Moyer prepared an over-all memorandum covering all executive agencies that briefed the Subcommittee staff which was to be presented to the President tonight.

X1 16. [] BRIEFING Spoke with Toulia, in the office of Representative John Murphy (D., N.Y.), to firm up arrangements for the Congressman to meet with the DDCI instead of the DCI at 2:00 p.m. on 31 August regarding the situation in Nicaragua.

X1 17. [] LEGISLATION Discussed further with Bill Heckman, Department of Justice, prospects for House passage of the electronic surveillance legislation and there will be a meeting of the affected agencies of the Legislative Branch at the Department of Justice.

X1 18. [] LIAISON Henry Myers, on the staff of the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, called and asked if it would be okay of Mr. Robert Beck, of the Committee staff, could accompany him to review [] I told Myers that it was alright as Beck had been involved in the initial review.

X1 19. [] LLM) LIAISON Dorothy Roberson, secretary to Earl Eisenhower, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff, called saying that Eisenhower had related to her from Arizona his interest in a certain opinion of FOIA involving the Agency. He also said that Senator Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.) would like a further briefing sometime next week on matters related to the Kampiles case.

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